6 after the failed coup in 1991 the Communist Party was banned. No one could have seen a complete collapse.

7 the countries' forces were unable to prevent the tiny uprising in Chechnya

14 multiple parties emerged worldwide in 1970-1980, the goal was to leave the Soviet Union

29 Gorbachev encouraged attacks on Stalin, it led further to attack the whole system of socialism, picture in America if the youth spoke against the founding fathers there would be no America without them

32 the USSR since its beginning was always voluntary to be a part of, this meant the uprising in Hungary should not have been crushed

36 If the Soviet Union was meant to fail since the beginning why did it fail in 1991 and not 2020 or 1960? This means it was meant to last as an empire but to each their own.

49 Stalin neglected housing

54 Brezhnev ended the purges

56 only 9 percent enjoyed a car in the 1980's but the majority owned a refrigerator, radio, washing machines, and TV. By no means was it getting worse

60 enterprises never went bankrupt for preforming poorly, workers almost never were laid off or fired when the needs of the economy changed

62 bus drivers made more than engineers, skilled manual workers made more than teachers and doctors. Wow

74 the Nazi-Soviet pact made it so west of Russia's countries had to join, this means the Germans wanted peace not expansion

78 all empires collapsed in the 20th century, so it is surprising the SU lasted for so long

81 involving in third world countries costed the SU 5 billion a year

100 abortions were the highest in the world in the USSR despite the humiliating and degrading process to get one

101 1998 was the year religion returned to the SU

118 the SU did not follow the Chinese model for agriculture causing shortages and wastes everywhere

120 SU's foreign trade was 6% compared to the Wests 20%

129 because of the SU's war in Afghanistan, it ruined the "peace" image that the SU wanted to achieve

135 inflation went up 650-700% in 1991 and 53% the year before

163 more than half of Tajik's and Uzbeks lived below the poverty line as opposed to 6.3% of Russians

184 by the summer of 1990 a dramatic increase of capitalists supports no longer supported the SU

187 by August 20th, 1991, the SU left the Communist party in favor of a democratic one through Gorbachev

194 documents showed the Communist Party misused funds making it a criminal and not political party much like the mafia

195 Yeltsin nationalized all natural resources

200 thanks to Yeltsin the SU died a peaceful death unlike Serbia

203 Gorbachev's record was far more positive than those gave him credit for